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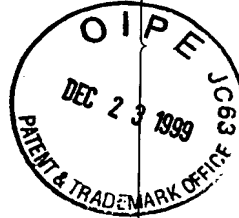
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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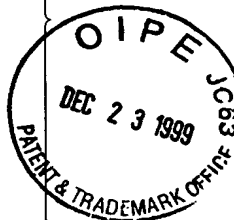
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE
WITH 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98**

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. Copies of the references listed on the Forms PTO-1449 (7 pages) are provided herewith [via hand delivery] in connection with the above-captioned application.

The documents listed on the Forms PTO-1449 and supplied herewith are in the English language, with the exception of items BD and BG. Item BD (European patent no. EP 0,253,303) and item BG (German patent No. DE 3,644,346) are in the German language and are accompanied by an English equivalent (U.S. Patent No. 4,877,830, item AF) and English language Derwent Database Abstract (item

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CS) respectively. Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items are necessary.

Applicant also makes known to the Examiner the following U.S. and International applications which are commonly owned and/or have one or more inventors in common in the above-captioned application.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing references and make them of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

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